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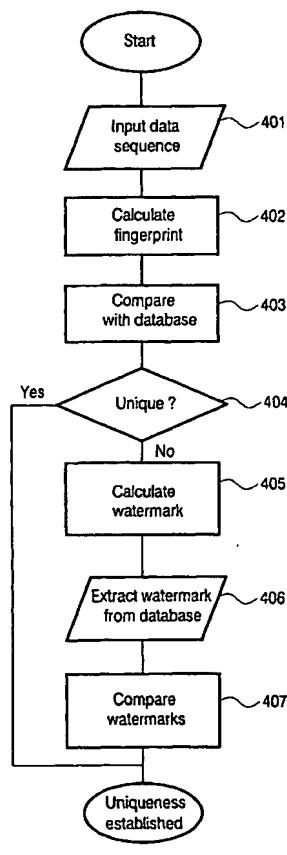
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(57) Abstract: Identification of a digital media sequence is performed by an encoding and a decoding process. A sequence is received and its digital fingerprint is computed. A database lookup based on the fingerprint produces one or more matches that all resemble the computed fingerprint to a certain degree. If there is more than one match, at least one attempt is made to detect a watermark in the sequence. If a watermark is found, at least part of the watermark is extracted and used to select one of the matches among the sequences that resemble the media sequence to be identified.

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